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## THIS NEWSLETTER PROUDLY BROUGHT TO YOU BY

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Hi Everyone,

Welcome to our regular newsletters for 2025 - We hope the information we bring you fortnightly on this newsletter helps you remain engaged and well informed about the club. If you need more instant information we recommend you follow us on social media - our pages are listed at the bottom of this newsletter.

Just as a reminder in our previous newsletter we covered the following topics:

1. No Pay, No Play Policy
2. Holiday Programme
3. Team Photos next week!
4. Player of the Day custom graphic
5. Member Offers
6. Shoutouts

If you wanted to find out more about any topics we covered in previous newsletters (including 2024 newsletters) you can click [here](#) and looking at our newsletter archive.

For today's Newsletter we have a few topics to cover:

1. Holiday Programme - Last Chance
2. Throwback to 2001
3. Member Offers
4. Shoutouts

Thanks for reading our newsletter, we appreciate your support!

Cheers  
Tim Adams

Chairman - Ellerslie AFC

# LAST CHANCE TO REGISTER



# holiday programme.

Monday 30th June - Thursday 3rd July

Michaels Ave Reserve

Open to players between 5 and 13 years  
old and all abilities!

Register Now

Contact · [registrations@ellersliefootball.org.nz](mailto:registrations@ellersliefootball.org.nz)

## THROWBACK TO 2001

One of our new features in the newsletter - we are going to look back at some of our proudest moments as a club and we are going to start with 2001 - the year Ellerslie won their first and only Women's Knockout cup final (now called the Kate Sheppard Cup).

Cast your mind back to 2001 - it doesn't feel that long ago but 2001 was the year that we saw the first Harry Potter movie released, also Xbox and Wikipedia were launched in 2001. Not everything in 2001 was a positive unfortunately with the people of New York exposed to a terror attack. On a positive note 2001 was the year the Lord of the Rings, Fellowship of the Ring and a popular song in 2001 was "How you remind me" by Nickleback - I think now 2001 feels like quite a long time ago.



Ellerslie opened up their 2001 campaign by taking on Papakura City in Round 1 and progressed without too much fuss with a 7-0 win, next up was neighbours Eastern Suburbs in a #EastAucklandDerby - Ellerslie won 2-0 to progress into the third round and another derby game, this time against University-Mt Wellington at Bill McKinley Park.

A 7-0 drubbing of Uni-Mt put Ellerslie into the quarters where they conceded their first goal of the tournament in a tight 2-1 win over Takapuna - this meant Ellerslie were in the semi's which was a national draw and they were pitted against Wairarapa Utd at home - a 2-0 win was enough to put Ellerslie into the final against Lynn Avon who had beaten New Brighton 4-1 at home in their semi final.

(Pip Meo pictured left)

In the final Ellerslie were lead by player-coach Sue Taylor who also scored the only goal in the final to give Ellerslie a glorious 1-0 win over Lynn Avon and wrote the Ponies into history.

You can read the entire match report from the final thanks to Jeremy Ruane and his ultimate NZ Soccer website by clicking on the team photo below.





**NZ WOMENS KNOCKUP CUP FINAL**  
**15th September - North Harbour Stadium**

Ellerslie 1 (Taylor; pictured to the right)

Rolls; Humby, Taylor, Hicks (J. Somerfield, 81); Jackman, Albon (Murphy, 88), Rainbow, Duncan, L. Somerfield; Bowker (McLeod, 76), Hill

Lynn Avon 0

Vale; Exler, McCahill (Ray, 81), Carlisle; Doody, Hearn, Gilmore, Clapham (Yallop, 66), Parkinson (Moorwood, 59); Crawford, Vujnovich



**MEMBER OFFERS**



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# Join the Friends of Ellerslie Partnership today!

Ellerslie AFC and Ellerslie YMCA have been busy over Christmas and the New Year period sorting out this amazing deal for Ellerslie AFC members - this deal which has a significant discount (30% off) for a 3 month membership which enables users to access both YMCA Ellerslie and the YMCA Lagoon facilities.

The deal also includes a payback model to the club, for every membership sold the club will collect a small payback which will be used in our player development space to keep the amazing services we offer at the lowest available price point.

If you are looking for a quick blast in the gym to get ready for the middle of winter then please check out this amazing offer by clicking on the image above or scanning the QR code - full deal details below:

**Special Membership Price:** Access a special rate of \$220 for 3 months, a significant saving from the regular price of \$312. Thats a massive 30% discount!

**Full Facility Access:** Enjoy full access to The Y Ellerslie's welcoming fitness centre, including top-notch gym equipment, group fitness classes, and qualified staff.

**Pool and gym access included:** Your membership also includes access to The Y Lagoon Pool Facilities, featuring another gym, swimming pools, and aquatic fitness classes.

**Community Connection:** Be part of a supportive and motivating Ellerslie community that encourages a healthy and active lifestyle.

**We're giving back to your club:** Each membership earns rewards for your organisation, club or business which can be used to benefit your club!

## INTRODUCTION TO JASON @ SPINEWORKS

New local Chiropractic practice now located at Michaels Ave Leisure Centre next to the YMCA reception.

Local Chiropractic Jason Payne has now opened a small practice serving the local community conveniently based next to Ellerslie FC. Offering holistic family-based care with a background in high performance coaching and athlete development. Chiropractic can help with corrective care, postural alterations, injury rehab, back and neck issues, headaches, general wellness, and sports performance.

Jason hopes to work closely with Ellerslie AFC and the supporting community looking to get themselves back track and running at their best in the off-season and preseason. Discounts for members on initial consultations and ongoing care, free advise anytime. Feel free to book in online for a **free spinal assessment** on the on the website below, mention you are a member of EAFC in the notes, or just call into the practice for a chat to learn more about the benefits of care or advise on any existing injuries.

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Jason Payne, Doctor of Chiropractic

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## SHOUTOUTS

### PLAYER MILESTONE | 50 GAMES

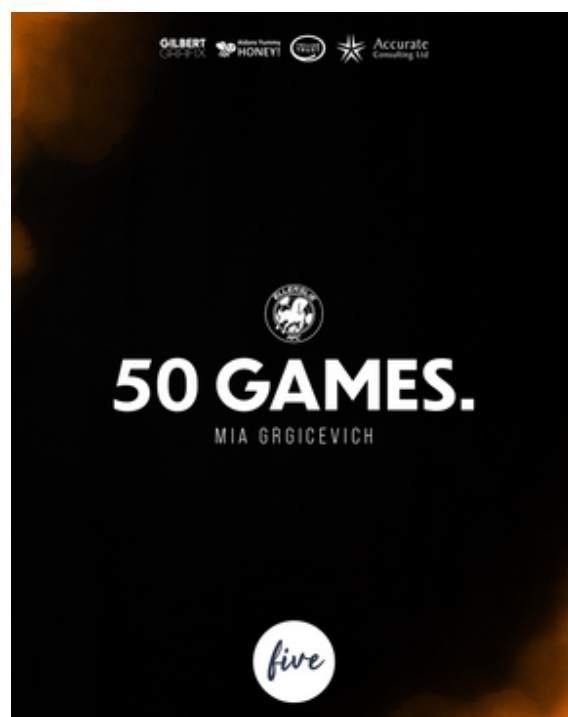
Mia Grgicevich

In the game against Springs (her old club) Mia anchored the midfield in another strong performance to help seal 1 point in the draw in her 50th game.

We have been extremely lucky to have Mia come back each year from the US in her college break to play for us and we are stoked to see her get this milestone.

Good luck back in the US Mia.

#UpThePonies  
#FallinLoveWithFootball





## PLAYER MILESTONE | 50 GAMES

Cilla Fa'afua

Against East Coast Bays in the cup Cilla racked up her 50th game for Ellerslie, at the young age of 19 - a huge achievement for her - especially considering the time she has missed due to injury.

She has been on fire this season and we can't wait to see her back on the field in the coming weeks.

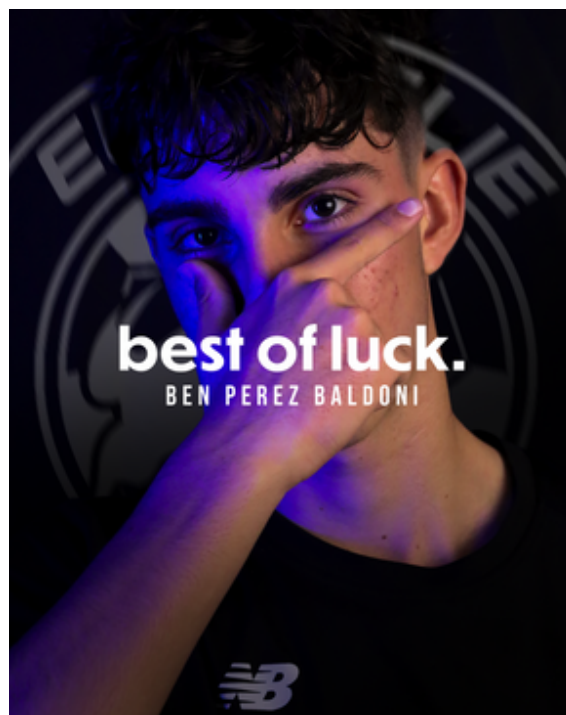
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## PLAYER DEPARTURE | BEN PEREZ BALDONI

Ellerslie junior and youth player Ben Perez Baldoni recently was the first player to sign for Auckland FC as part of our talent MOU and went on to score a stunning goal on debut for Auckland FC - read more about this amazing transfer for Ben by clicking on the image.

Well done Ben

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